

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED HEARING

DOCKET NO. 2018-358-WS

Verified Application of Blue Granite Water Company (formerly known as Carolina Water Service, Inc.) for Approval of Annual Rate Adjustment Mechanisms and Petition for an Accounting Order to Defer Expenses**

Blue Granite Water Company (BGWC or the Company), formerly known as Carolina Water Service, Inc. has filed with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) an Application for, in part, approval of annual rate adjustment mechanisms (procedures) for purchased water expenses and wastewater treatment expenses and the proposed 2019 rate adjustments (or increases, please see proposed schedule below), including approval of the Company's request to recover previously deferred purchased water and wastewater treatment expense amounts for the period of March 2018 to January 2019, as shown on Exhibits D, E, F, and G of the Application. The Company also requests authority to continue to defer the Company's purchased water and wastewater treatment expenses (above or below the amounts reflected in base rates) caused by changes in third party provider rates, until such expenses are reflected in rates. As justification for the Application, the Application states that BGWC purchases water from approximately 13 third party providers, a number which may increase in the future. The Application states further that the Company purchases wastewater treatment services from 6 third party providers, a number which may also increase in the future. Since mid-2017, the Company has experienced wholesale rate increases from eight of its purchased water providers and has experienced wholesale rate increases from two of its wastewater treatment providers. Collectively, these ten wholesale rate increases amount to over \$1,000,000 annually.

The Application was filed pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §§58-5-210, 58-5-220, and 58-5-240, S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-503, 103-703, 103-823 and 103-825, and all other applicable statutes and regulations of the Commission.

If the Application or Petition in this case contains a request for adjustment of rates, the rates are subject to potential modification by the Commission during the course of this case.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the hearing on the above matter previously scheduled for Tuesday, June 18, 2019, at 10:00 a.m., has been rescheduled to begin on **Tuesday, September 17, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. and continuing on September 18, 2019, if necessary**, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100 or visit its website at www.psc.sc.gov.

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